

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF:

Charles ROSILIO et al

ORDER NO.: 4464

FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A TEMPLATE OF SEQUENCES OF
CHEMICAL OR BIOLOGICAL MOLECULES FOR A CHEMICAL OR
BIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
& Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

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It is requested that the application be amended as follows.

This application is a continuation of PCT/FR00/00550 filed March 6, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS

Attached please find a copy of amended claims 4-7, 15, 16 and 17 and new
claims 18-31. A clean copy of claims 1-31 is also attached.

REMARKS

A Preliminary Amendment has been made to eliminate the multiple
dependency of claims 4-7, 15, 16 and 17 and to place the application in better condition
for examination.